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DURING INFORMAL CONVERSATION WITH LABATT MARCH 11, MINISTRY OF LABOR'S INTERNATIONAL LABOR DIVISION DIRECTOR MORI SAID GOJ PLEASANTLY SURPRISED THAT RECENT SESSION OF ILO WORKING PARTY ON STRUCTURE (WPS) ENDED IN STALEMATE SINCE IT HAD FEARED POSSIBILITY OF "UNACCEPTABLE CONCESSIONS" TO THIRD WORLD. HE NOTED THAT JAPANESE DELEGATE, ONE OF FEW TO SPEAK OUT FIRMLY AT WPS IN OPPOSITION TO PROPOSALS TO AMEND ARTICLES 7 AND 36 RELATING TO STATES OF CHIEF INDUSTRIAL IMPORTANCE. MORI ADDED THAT, IN THIS CONTEXT, AGO'S PROPOSAL RELATING TO THESE ARTICLES MIGHT BE PUT TO REST FOR GOOD IF, PRIOR TO NEXT ILO GENERAL CONFERENCE IN JUNE, FIVE INDUSTRIAL STATES WERE TO ISSUE JOINT STATE-MENT CATEGORICALLY OPPOSING MODIFICATIONS OF ARTICLES 7 AND 36. MORI SAID JAPAN WOULD JOIN WITH US IN SUCH A STATEMENT BUT HE RUEFULLY ADMITTED THAT IT WOULD PROBABLY BE VERY DIFFICULT TO ENLIST SUPPORT OF CONFIDENTIAL

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